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A Message from Councilmember Malnar

Greetings Sahuaro Residents!

This week in council meeting we approved two items that may be of interest. The Tohono O'odham Nation entered into an agreement with Glendale to pay for certain police services at the casino opening up next week. We also approved an agreement for the settlement on a 38 acre eminent domain case dating back several years for land to protect the air space at the Glendale airport. We will be paying off the settlement in the next few years and utilizing special grant money to pay much of the debt. Upcoming workshop agenda items are posted the week prior on the city's website: (<http://www.glendaleaz.com/Clerk/agendasandminutes/Legistar.cfm>).

This week I want to recognize one of our oldest Sahauro district residents. Senior citizens have done a lot for society over the years and I want to recognize them for their contributions. Earl Baugh turned 102 years old on December 9th. He and his wife Velma (age 96) have been married for 78 years. Happy Birthday Earl.

Please come out to the the Glendale home town Christmas parade this weekend. See the details below.

- Ray Malnar

Ribbon Cuttings

This week we welcomed Salt Tacos y Tequila, who had a ribbon cutting and grand opening celebration on Monday, December 7th, 2015.

Salt Tacos y Tequila, 6751 N. Sunset Blvd., Suite E-109, Located in the former Margaritaville space, Salt Tacos y Tequila is a new restaurant concept from the owner of Whiskey Rose, located next door. Salt's menu will feature such items as Bacon Wrapped Tomatillos, Habanero, and Guava Lobster Tacos to name a few.

Welcome to Glendale and thanks for growing our economy and making Glendale a better place to live!

Announcements



The Citizens of Glendale are proud to announce the **third annual Hometown Christmas Parade** taking place this Saturday, **December 12, 2015 at 11:00 AM** in Historic Downtown Glendale. This parade highlights all the magic and wonder of Christmas in a parade. For more information about the event and the parade route: www.hometownchristmasparade.org/.

Increased Air Activity Dec 1-13

LUKE AIR FORCE BASE, Arizona -Luke Air Force Base will host Forging Sabre, a large force exercise involving members of the Republic of Singapore Armed Forces, Tuesday, Dec. 1 to Sunday, Dec. 13.

The Forging Sabre exercise will include both night and weekend flying operations for the duration of the exercise at Luke AFB and the Barry M. Goldwater Range complex.

The areas around Luke and the BMGR may experience more noise than usual as a result of the increased air activity and types of aircraft involved. Aircraft involved will include F-16 Fighting Falcon, F-15E Strike Eagle and Heron 1 UAS. There will be an increased military presence with military movements along Highway 85 south of Gila Bend as military position themselves within the Barry M. Goldwater

range.

The purpose of the exercise is to provide the Singapore armed forces an opportunity to exercise and train their full spectrum of command, control and execution.

Valley media outlets looking for more information may contact Kiley Dougherty at (623) 856-7991 or Maj Matthew Hasson at (623) 856-5997.

Glendale Police Seeking Enrollment For January 2016 Citizen Police Academy

The Glendale Police Department is accepting applications for the upcoming Citizen Police Academy which begins on Wednesday, January 6, 2016. The application deadline of November 30th. The Citizens Academy is a free program designed to offer participants the opportunity to learn, hands on, about many Glendale Police Operations, such as the use of Police Canines, Crime Scene Investigations and Tactical Operations. The curriculum also includes an overview of the Glendale Police Department's Administration, Police Communications, and Community Oriented Policing.

Participants must be at least 18 years of age and undergo a background check and fingerprinting process. All fingerprinting and completed applications must be submitted no later than Monday, November 30th, 2015. The Citizen Police Academy is 12 weeks in length and is held on Wednesday nights from 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm at the Glendale Regional Public Safety Training Center and Glendale Police Main Station. There will also be one Saturday class.

Applications can be downloaded and the fingerprinting schedule can be viewed from the Glendale Police website at the following link:

<http://www.glendaleaz.com/police/involvement.cfm#CitizenPoliceAcademy>.

For further information, please contact Marie Shepherd at 623-930-3282 or via email at mshepherd@glendaleaz.com.

Holiday Safety Shopping Tips

- Lock packages and other valuables in the trunk before you park and never after you park. Those bad elves may be watching not far away.
- Don't try to be like a super hero and overload yourself carrying lots of packages. You will make yourself an easy target for bad elves.
- Be stealthy! Especially, in large shopping centers like malls. Once you get two or three packages, take them to your car and secure them in the trunk. Next, get in the car and drive to a different location in the parking lot, so it appears as if you are leaving. Reenter the shopping mall in a different location.
- Shop during daylight hours. If possible, and especially at night, shop in groups of two or more. Make it a fun girls' or guys' day out! Bad elves are more likely to approach people who are alone.
- If you are elderly and alone, ask for an escort to your vehicle. There are employees eager to help you.
- If you have to shop at night, park in well-lighted areas, as close as possible to store entrances.
- This is one simple tip most frequently forgotten! Don't forget to LOCK your car and make sure the windows are closed.

- Carry only the debit or credit cards you will need or use Apple Pay on your phone. Don't carry large sums of cash.
- Carry purses next to your body with the purse flap against you. Carry wallets in front or inside pockets.
- Be aware of your surroundings, walk confidently like a super hero and look people in the eye. Bad elves are looking for people who are not paying attention and are distracted from their purse, wallet or packages.
- Don't hesitate to notify store security or police if you see suspicious activity or someone that looks like a suspicious bad elf.
- If you are a victim of a crime, call 911 to report it police immediately.

Glendale Events

The holiday magic continues in downtown Glendale Friday and Saturday evenings, Dec. 4-19, from 6-10 p.m. each night. Each weekend has its own special theme, with scheduled entertainment and activities for the whole family.



Winter Wonderland Weekend

Friday and Saturday, Dec. 11 and 12, from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Everyone's favorite little yellow guys will be invading downtown Glendale during Winter Wonderland Weekend. The Minions Movie will be showing nightly at 6:30 and 8:30 p.m., and other highlights include free make-and-take Minions crafts, face-painting, Santa Claus and musical entertainment. In addition, attendees can check out a fun interactive social media activity featuring Papa Ed's Ice Cream and enter to win prizes.

Entertainment lineup for Glendale's Winter Wonderland Weekend:

Friday, Dec. 11:

6:00 p.m. Desert West Dance

7:00 p.m. Fry's Sun City Poms

8:00 p.m. Glendale Union High School Vocal Ensembles

Saturday, Dec. 12:

6:00 p.m. Michaela's Dance Magic

7:00 p.m. The Bootscooters

8:00 p.m. My Kids in Sign

9:00 p.m. Cannedy Performing Arts Centre

Arizona Ron Leads Walking Tours Of Downtown Glendale

Learn the story of Glendale first-hand from one of its long-time residents, "Arizona Ron." Arizona Ron will be offering "The Town of Dreams" Walking Tours in Downtown Glendale on Dec., 11, 16 and 18. Each tour begins at 9:30 a.m. at the Glendale Visitor Center, 5800 W. Glenn Dr. suite 140, and costs \$15 for adults or \$5 for ages 16 and under.

Learn how Glendale transformed from the vegetable capital to the sports capital of Arizona over the past 120 years, and how it has grown from a few hundred people to 230,000-plus residents, all the while retaining its hometown charm. Arizona Ron invites everyone to "come join me for a fascinating 90-minute walk throughout Historic

Downtown Glendale!" For more information, call 623-930-4500 or visit www.visitglendale.com.

Flutasia Flute Quartet: Holiday Concert

2 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 12, at the Foothills Branch Library, 19055 N. 57th Ave. Join us for a holiday performance, featuring classical and contemporary favorites your whole family will enjoy. Performed by flutists Karen Thomasson, Rebekah Lowe, Emily Bean and Tana Welker. For more information, call 623-930-3844.

Gift-Wrapping Fundraiser

5 p.m. to closing, Sunday, Dec. 13 & 20, Arrowhead Barnes & Noble, 7685 W. Bell Rd. Give a gift to the library as we gift wrap your presents! The Friends will be gift wrapping outside the Arrowhead Barnes & Noble store in exchange for donations to the Friends of the Glendale Public Library. The Friends will wrap anything within reason (no elephants, please!) and will accept any donation amount offered. If you're one of the "wrapping challenged" or just busy with the holidays, take your shopping to the Friends and make everyone happy. For more information, call 623-930-3530.

Holiday Luncheon Visit from Santa

Celebrate the joy of this special season with your friends. Bobby Freeman, AZ Diamondbacks organist, is back to provide fun and entertainment. The YWCA will provide a lunch of chicken cordon bleu, twice-baked potatoes, French cut green beans, cake and ice cream from 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 16, at the Glendale Adult Center. \$6 members, \$8 non-members. Tickets must be purchased in advance by Dec. 12. Please bring a pair of new socks to donate to the AZ Veterans Home. For more information, call 623-930-4321.

Youth Baseball/Softball Clinics

Throwing, catching, hitting and running are the fundamentals of youth baseball and softball. Winter break could be the perfect time for children, ages 7-15, to enhance their baseball/softball skills. Baseball and softball coaches from Valley schools are volunteering their time to assist with all aspects of the clinic. Registration fee is \$10 per clinic. The clinic is scheduled for Monday, Dec. 21 from 9 - 11 a.m., or Tuesday, Dec. 22, from 9 - 11 a.m., at the Sahuaro Ranch Sports Complex, 9895 N. 63rd Ave. Register by Friday, Dec. 18.

Service Spotlight

Some quick links to help our users during the holiday season:

[Water Services](#)

[Glendale Police Department](#)

[Glendale Fire Department](#)



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